

In the United States Patent and Trademark Office

IFW

Serial No.: 10/558,884

Filing Date: 11/29/2005

Title: IMPROVED
DORSIFLEXION SHOE

Examiner:

Applicant: FUCHSLOCHER, Joerg et al.

Art Unit:

Atty docket No: PUS-S011-001



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

To: U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Service Window
Commissioner for Patents
Randolph Building
401 Dulany Street
Alexandria, VA 22314
USA

Dear Sir,

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97, Applicant encloses the references set forth in the attached modified form PTO/SB/O8A. No inference should be made that the cited references are in fact material, are in fact prior art, are analogous art, or that no better art exists. The cited patents are listed in numerical order and not in any order based on their pertinence.

Further, in compliance with MPEP § 1893(g), Applicant has cited the International Search Report and attaches herewith all references mentioned therein.

It is requested that the Examiner fully consider the cited references and that they be cited on the front of any patent issuing from this application.

An early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has further questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at phone 011-4171 230 1000, fax at 011-4171 230 1001 or e-mail at sherman@patentinfo.net.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherman D. PERNIA
U.S. Reg. No. 34,404

Date: 22 June 2006

Enclosures: - IDS form
- International Search Report
- copies of cited documents
- return postcard



Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

PTO/SB/08A (07-05)

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1 of 4

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/558,884
Filing Date	11/29/2005
First Named Inventor	FUCHSLOCHER, Joerg et al
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	

Attorney Docket Number PUS-S011-001

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY		
1	US- 1,409,704	03/14/1922	GIZZI	entire document	
2	US- 1,411,200	03/28/1922	ZERTUCHE	entire document	
3	US- 1,497,243	06/10/1924	MARTIN	entire document	
4	US- 2,096,500	10/19/1937	MCCAHLAN et al	entire document	
5	US- 2,172,000	09/05/1939	WENKER	entire document	
6	US- 2,283,595	05/19/1942	BANISTER	entire document	
7	US- 2,317,020	04/20/1943	BANISTER	entire document	
8	US- 2,328,242	08/31/1943	WITHERILL	entire document	
9	US- 2,518,649	08/15/1950	TYDINGS et al	entire document	
10	US- 2,519,613	08/22/1950	URBAN	entire document	
11	US- 2,588,801	03/11/1952	BRUNET	entire document	
12	US- 2,725,648	12/06/1955	KIRK et al	entire document	
13	US- 2,769,252	11/06/1956	MONIER	entire document	
14	US- 2,810,213	10/22/1957	JONAS	entire document	
15	US- 3,305,947	02/28/1967	KALSOY	entire document	
16	US- 3,472,508	10/14/1969	BAKER et al	entire document	
17	US- 3,584,402	06/15/1971	SILVERMAN	entire document	
18	US- 3,665,620	05/30/1972	ST.CLAIR	entire document	
19	US- 3,739,500	06/19/1973	COX	entire document	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

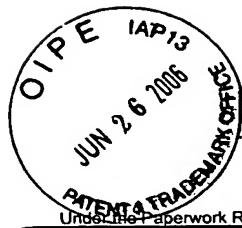
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY			
	DE 23 63 131	06/26/1975	WANDLER	entire document		
	DE 25 06 751	08/19/1976	HAUPTMANN	entire document		
	EP 0 049 019	04/07/1982	SPRONKEN	entire document		
	FR 1 128 009	01/02/1957	RITTER	entire document		
	WO 02/30228	04/18/2002	FRYE	entire document		
	WO 03/055343	07/10/2003	KO	entire document		

Examiner Signature	Date Considered
--------------------	-----------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.



Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

PTO/SB/08A (07-05)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 2

of 4

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/558,884
Filing Date	11/29/2005
First Named Inventor	FUCHSLOCHER, Joerg et al
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	

Attorney Docket Number PUS-S011-001

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (# known)			
20	US- 3,802,424		04/09/1974	NEWELL	entire document
21	US- 3,835,556		09/17/1974	PANARETOS	entire document
22	US- 3,859,727		01/14/1975	NAKAMOTO	entire document
23	US- 3,936,956		02/10/1976	FAMOLARE	entire document
24	US- 3,964,181		06/22/1976	HOLCOMBE	entire document
25	US- 3,990,159		11/09/1976	BORGEAS	entire document
26	US- 4,030,213		06/21/1977	DASWICK	entire document
27	US- 4,041,619		08/16/1977	SAPPER	entire document
28	US- 4,155,180		05/22/1979	PHILLIPS	entire document
29	US- 4,206,558		06/10/1980	BIVONA	entire document
30	US- 4,213,255		07/22/1980	OLBERZ et al	entire document
31	US- 4,241,523		12/30/1980	DASWICK	entire document
32	US- 4,262,433		04/21/1981	HAGG et al	entire document
33	US- 4,314,412		02/09/1982	ANDERSON et al	entire document
34	US- 4,348,821		09/14/1982	DASWICK	entire document
35	US- 4,372,059		02/08/1983	AMBROSE	entire document
36	US- 4,425,721		01/17/1984	SPRONKEN	entire document
37	US- 4,439,937		04/03/1984	DASWICK	entire document
38	US- 4,461,104		07/24/1984	CALKIN et al	entire document

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				

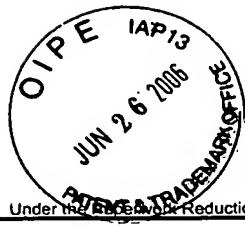
Examiner Signature

Date Considered

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ²See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.



PTO/SB/08A (07-05)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Under the Privacy Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO		<i>Complete if Known</i>	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i>		Application Number	10/558,884
		Filing Date	11/29/2005
		First Named Inventor	FUCHSLOCHER, Joerg et al
		Art Unit	
		Examiner Name	
Sheet	13	of	4
		Attorney Docket Number	PUS-S011-001

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

Sheet 3 of 4

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)			
	39	US- 4,506,462	03/26/1985	CAVANAGH	entire document
	40	US- 4,526,365	07/02/1985	ZIEGELBAUM	entire document
	41	US- 4,573,678	03/04/1986	LAMB et al	entire document
	42	US- 4,667,423	05/26/1987	AUTRY et al	entire document
	43	US- 4,681,114	07/21/1987	LODISOPOTO	entire document
	44	US- 4,774,776	10/04/1988	GULLI	entire document
	45	US- 4,785,557	11/22/1988	KELLEY et al	entire document
	46	US- 4,811,504	03/14/1989	BUNKE	entire document
	47	US- 4,934,073	06/19/1990	ROBINSON	entire document
	48	US- 4,951,938	08/28/1990	SMITH, IV	entire document
	49	US- 4,982,737	01/08/1991	GUTTMAN	entire document
	50	US- 5,088,481	02/18/1992	DARBY	entire document
	51	US- 5,135,450	08/04/1992	SMITH, IV	entire document
	52	US- 5,142,797	09/01/1992	COLE, III	entire document
	53	US- 5,265,354	11/30/1993	ALIANO	entire document
	54	US- 5,339,542	08/23/1994	KIM	entire document
	55	US- 5,433,695	07/18/1995	DRENNAN	entire document
	56	US- 5,491,912	02/20/1996	SNABB et al	entire document
	57	US- 5,592,757	01/14/1997	JACKINSKY	entire document

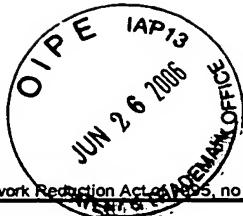
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-------------------------------	--	----------------------------	--

¹EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ²Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ³See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ⁴Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁵For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁶Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁷Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.



PTO/SB/08A (07-05)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
on a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 4 of 4

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/558,884
Filing Date	11/29/2005
First Named Inventor	FUCHSLOCHER, Joerg et al
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	
Attorney Docket Number	PUS-S011-001

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-------------------------------	--	----------------------------	--

¹EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ²Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ³See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ⁴Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁵For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁶Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁷Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.